









NO LACK OF EXPERIENCE

Although the other teams appear to have a monopoly on experience, the J.V.s have not been shut out. "We now have three players that Paul will probably call up this season. François Bouchard has five goals in only three games with us and has been a major factor for our victories. Albert Difasio played pro with Beauce Jaros in the North America League and will be eligible in January."

"Brendon Lowe is sitting out this year from varsity hockey since he played last year in the International Hockey League. Arseneault rates him very highly," continued Murray. "In nets, we have Doug McCormick who played on Dawson's CEGEP winning team. Dave Boyd played varsity last year and has some experience. It's good to have experienced people to help guide some of the younger guys."

PAUL'S FARM TEAM

"No other university has a junior varsity team," Murray continued, "It usually helps, Concordia has a step on everyone." Arseneault uses the team as a farm system and whenever he and Bob Philip are in town, they come down to watch the games, and scrutinize the team's performance.

Without a J.V. squad, a team would have to have a few players sitting out games. This can lead to some problems. A lot of times a J.V. player comes up and boosts the varsity team's third line. Besides being in good condition, the players have learned the Stingers' system.

"I teach these guys Paul's style. We have a lot of players who have played Junior B hockey, where it is wide open. Paul emphasizes discipline on the ice,

where they should be on the ice at all times. I try to teach them not to

the opposition has only two, we should be able to tire them out by using short shifts. This has been fairly successful, especially when the opposition only has three defencemen," Murray said.

Two exhibition contacts.

the Sir George Grads, Loyola Grads, and Station 10, the bar, not the police station.

"Paul (Arseneault), feels that by

playing against the experienced play-

ers they will be better prepared when they are brought up to the varsity team," commented Murray.

The opposition that Murray refers to

comes from the likes of Mark Shewchuck, Dan Fournier, Rick

Moore, Mike Timperio and McCann, ex of Loyola, John Boyce, Frank Don-

nelly, Howard Saibil, and not to be for-

gotten, Scotty Bateman of Sir George.

perience, they definitely have the edge on their foes in conditioning.

hope to win a few games because of

our conditioning. When we show up to

agame with three complete lines while

What the junior Stingers lack in ex-

"In the early part of the season, I

Daniel Vinet scored two goals and Michel Blais. Mike Bradley and Andre Bourgeois had singles for Concordia. Mats Naeflund, Christer Loewdahl, Conny Silfverberg, Ulf Zetterstroem and Dan Hermansson contributed the Swedish goals.

Two exhibition contests in Cornwall yesterday saw the United States juniors skate past West Germany 5-2, while Concordia University Stingers, bolstered by four McGill Redmen, tied Sweden 5-5.



Stingers roll over Red Devils

FREDERICTON (CP) —
The rebuilt Concordia Stingers, who dressed 17
freshmen in their 21-man lineup, thumped University of
New Brunswick Red Devils
14-0 in exhibition college hockey action here.

Top gun for the Stingers.

Red Devils who are trying to recover from a 1-19 season last year, was Dwane Byers who hit for three goals before being thrown out of the game in the second period on a match penalty.

Kim Elliott, playing on the same line with Byers, reproductively.

opening an Atlantic tour with

the win against the hapless

Kim Elliott, playing on the same line with Byers, scored one goal and set up five others as he completely stymied the UNB defence.

Other Concordia scoring came from Dan Vinet and Andrew Bourgeois who scored twice each.

David Boyd, Alex Westgate, Yvon Disotel, Albert DiFazio, Mark Fiorentino and Carl Tommero scored singles.

Nick Sanza was in the nets for the shutout.

Concordia led 3-0 after the first period and 9-0 after 40 minutes.

Ken MacLean was the starting netminder for UNB but was lifted after the second period for Jim Thompson.

The Stingers are in Halifax to play Dalhousie Tigers today.

Tomorrow and will be in Antigo

Hockey Bills lose in overtime

HOLD IT! I'LL TAKE THAT. Goalie Nick Sanza of the Concordia Stingers of Montreal

reaches down to make a save as Doug Butler of St. Louis University charges in during

By DAVE GAUMER

A third period reawakening went for naught as the St. Louis U. Billikens dropped a 4-3 overtime decision to the Concordia Stingers of Montreal before 4,457 home opener hockey fans at the Checkerdome Wednesday night.

Concordia's Dwayne Byers got the winning goal off a two-on-none break at 3:47 of the sudden death overtime.

"It was typical of our play that it ended that way," sighed Billiken coach Bill Selman. "Our two defensemen collided at center ice and their two guys go in alone. Brian (Billiken goalie Brian O'Connell) didn't have much of a chance."

THE BILLS, WHO had rallied on third period goals by Steve Major and Chuck Durocher to send the game into overtime, had a number of dances to win it in the 10-minute sudden death session.

But suddenly the puck came out to center ice and Billiken defenders Kent Jackson and George Kryzer, whohad scored the first Billiken goal, collided.

That allowed the Stingers' Bill Doherty to grab the puck on a play that may have been offsides and carried it in on left wing with Byers on his right flank. Doherty forced O'Connell to commit himself, then passed over to Byers, who put it away.

THE STINGERS' FIRST goal, by Doherty at 18:07 of the first period, came off another Billiken faux pas. Veteran defenders Brian Roll and Doug Butler both started off a loose puck laying just inside the blue line in the Stinger zone. But both decided at the same instant the other was going to handle the puck and each backed off.

That allowed Doherty to streak past, pick up the puck and go in alone against O'Connell and connect on a rising sho from close range.

"We had problems tonight where i just felt we would not have them al season," said Selman. "Our defensemen are all veterans and they are going to have a fine season I know. But this just wasn't a good night for any of them."

Kryzer tied the score a little more than a minute later with a shot from the right point that bounded in off Concording goalie Nick Sanza's glove.

"Their goalie did a fine job and I fel Brian made some good saves for us," observed Selman. "We hate to lose, but I thought it was an excellent college hockey game and that we gave the fans some fine entertainment."

But the Bills admittedly were not skating as well as they might in the first two periods, often coming out second best in the race to loose pucks.

BYERS MADE IT 2-1 at 5:49 of the second frame when his shot from righ righ went in off O'Connell's pads and Yvon Disotel converted a two-on-one break at 13:43 of that frame will O'Connell came out in an effort to pe the puck off Disotel's stick and missed

The Bills failed to convert several ge power play opportunities, one of the coming midway through the seco period when Disotel was sent off

Stingers

By MIKE BOONE

CONCORDIA hockey Stingers ended their exhibition tour of the Maritimes on a winning note, but they failed to win the big one.

Stingers got a shorthanded goal late in the game to edge St. Francis Xavier X-men 4-3 yesterday in the consolation final of the annual St. Francis Xavier tournament at Antigonish, N.S.

In opening round play on Saturday, Stingers bowed 3-1 to St. Mary's Huskies. St. Mary's went on to win the tournament final in convincing fashion, crushing University of Moncton Blue Eagles 8-1.

The Stingers managed only 19 shots on goal to 35 for St. F-X but took advantage of their scoring opportunities.

The winning goal came at 16:44 of the third period when Mark Fiorentino, killing a penalty, stole the puck and raced in to score. Dwayne Byers, Rick Marsh and Alex Westgate scored the other Concordia goals. Barry Wolbaum, Greg Keating and Mario Claude scored for the X-men.

The Stingers had defeated the University of New Brunswick and tied Dalhousie earlier on the tour. Their record this season is three wins, two losses and a tie. a a a F E Bally B

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Mike Broadfoot. Concordia outshot Alberta 30-27.

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Stingers retain title by downing Golden Bears

playing a disciplined style. upset University of Alberta Golden Bears, the number two-ranked team in Canadian College hockey, 5-3 last night in the championship game of the Concordia Invitational hockey classic.

Second period goals by Yvon Disotell, Dwayne Byers and Randy Borbely erased a 1-0 Alberta lead and the Stingers got the third period goals from

The Concordia Stingers, Bill Doherty and Dave Boyd to build up a 5-1 lead with just over ten minutes to play.

The Stingers, who have never lost in the championship of their home tournament, fell behind 1-0 when Alberta's Ted Olson tipped home Kevin Bolton's shot from the point past Concordia goaltender Nick Sanza

Disotell, who joined Concordia this season from St. Mary's Huskies, tied the score early in

the second period when he tipped home Kim Elliott's pass from in front of the net.

Byers, one of Concordia's captains, scored on a breakaway with 5:11 gone in the period to put the Stingers ahead to stay and Borbely converted a pass-out from behind the net at 12:29 to put the Stingers in front by two.

The game was rough in spots, and referee Pierre Lajeunesse called seven minors to each team in the first two periods as well as a pair of fighting majors.

In addition, Concordia's Mike Slack was ejected from the contest for being the aggressor in his fight with Alberta's Kevin Primeau.

In the consolation game, St Mary's bombed Brandon 8-0.

By DAVID SHOIHET

Unranked in the nation's poll of college hockey teams means nothing these days if you happen to play for Concordia University Stingers.

Playing the part of the underdog is fun. You lose and you don't surprise anyone. You win and everyone is bewildered.

That sums up the third annual Concordia University in-

vitational hockey tournament. No. 2-ranked University of Alberta Golden Bears naturally were favored to walk off with all the marbles. If they didn't, then St. Mary's University Huskies were.

Bears not so golden

Even the other club in the four-team, two-day tournament, Brandon University Bobcats, probably rated a better chance for top honors than Paul Arsenault's Stingers.

But for the third consecutive year, the Stingers shut out the visiting teams from the winner's circle. The Stingers, with a tough second period, stopped the Golden Bears from Alberta, 5-3 in the championship affair Saturday night.

"I figured the third period would open up if they got a goal," Arsenault explained. Concordia led 3-1 going into the third but managed to break the game wide open with a goal by Bill Doherty at 9:21 and then a fifth marker by Dave Boyd just 32 seconds



Photo by Pierre Vidricaire

Concordia's Steve Gibson (12) tests Alberta goalie Jack Cummings from close range as Randy Gregg (24) comes to the rescue.

Stingers 4, Blues 2

TORONTO - (CP) Steve Gibson and Al Vaughan scored in the third period to give Concordia University Stingers a 4-2 win over University of Toronto Blues in an exhibition hockey game last night.

Toronto had taken a 2-0 lead on goals by Dan Tsubouchi and Doug Caines before all-star centre Kim Elliott got one back for Concordia in the first period. Francois Bouchard tied it 2-2 on a breakaway in the second

Concordia outshot the

momentary

Randy

The win meant Concordia Sanza played brilliantly in the championship game, stopping the highly-touted Arsenault described his prize over the Alberta Golden ontinues to monopolize its

Concordia 'honors' Arsenault

This season presents one of

the great challenges of

Arsenault's career. Concordia

was hit hard by graduation

and the re-built Stingers are

no longer the lords and mas-

ters of the Quebec Univer-

sities Athletic Association.

Stingers 4, Gaiters 1

By RANDY PHILLIPS of The Gazette

Concordia Stingers men's hockey coach Paul Arsenault had an "embarrassing" mo-ment prior to his club's 4-1 victory over the Bishop's University Gaiters at the Concordia Athletic Complex last night.

Arsenault was being honored for recording his 300th college career victory which actually came Jan, 6 when the Stingers upset the highlyranked St. Mary's Huskies 6-3 in the opening round of Conwas really embarrassing.

Arsenault, whose hockey philosophy is that it's not how many games you win but rather how you win them, began coaching in 1963 when he was appointed varsity coach at the now defunct Sir George Williams University. In 13-and-a-half seasons he has amassed a 303-132-33 record with 10 league championships. He has twice been nadian championship.

'76) and the conference's outstanding coach three times.

One of his few regrets is the fact he didn t win the national title when his club of two years ago, and which he refers to as his "best ever" lost to Toronto 3-2 in overtime. He has yet to win a Ca-

collegiate Athletic Union's ault his 303rd victory last coach of the year ('72 and night but it took persistent effort for Concordia's marksmen to finally beat a hot Bishop's goalie, Don Demers. Stinger centre Kim Elliott led the scoring with two goals, including a shorthanded one. Steve Gibson and Daniel Vinet added solos while John Mills notched Bishop's lone tally late in the third period. Demers had 45 shots fired at him while Bishop's managed only 15 on Stinger goalie Gino Yanire.

In QUAA basketball action, the Concordia men's and women's team put to-

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Arsenault honored for 300th victory in college hockey

By MIKE BOONE

Bob Philip may not be the best man to ask for an assessment of Paul Arsenault.

Philip is the assistant hockey coach at Concordia University. Arsenault is the head coach. As a rule, assistants cannot be relied on for clearheaded, objective analyses of head honchos.

Philip's case is special, however, because he played for Arsenault when the latter was coaching Sir George Williams and coached Sir George when Arsenault went over to Loyola. As a former player and opponent - as well as a present colleague - Philip knew whereof he spoke when he discussed Arsenault's career prior to a ceremony at Concordia last night honoring Arsenault for 300 career coaching victories.

The milestone win came Jan. 6 when Concordia downed St. Mary's 6-3 en route to the championship of the Concordia Invitational tournament. Since then the Stingers have added four wins, the latest a 4-1 conquest of Bishop's last night.

"Paul has changed a lot," said Philip. "Technically, as a hockey coach, he knows a lot more than when he was winning championships at Sir George.

A native of Prince Edward Island, Arsenault graduated with a physical education degree from the University of New Brunswick and took over the coaching reins at Sir George in 1963. When he arrived at the downtown campus, college hockey was small potatos, but Arsenault's serious approach brought about immediate changes.

"Discipline has always been big with him," says Philip. "Not following guys around and watching what they do but discipline on the

"When Arsenault first

came in, hockey wasn't take that seriously at Sir Georg He laid down certain rules a: brought in a system. Some the guys quit, but Arsena was left with the kind of ter he wanted and Sir George v the first really disciplin team in the old Ottawa Lawrence league. He had good line and a good g tender, but his third line co hardly skate. Loyola alv had better talent, but 1 used to win."

Arsenault's won-lostrecord was 139-68-17 in (years at Sir George. He over at Loyola in 1972. compiled a 77-37-4 mar three seasons, winning (dian Intercollegiate Atl Union Coach-of-the-Year ors in '72. When Sir Go and Loyola merged to Concordia in 1975, Arse was named head coacl Philip became his assi They've guided the Sting an 88-27-9 record Arsenault was Coach Year again in 1976.



Concordia's Arsenault nears 300-win plateau

Paul Arsenault of Concordia University is just a stone's throw away from a hockey coaching milestone and with assistant Bob Philip, he's relying heavily on a group of West Island skaters this season to get it.

When the varsity Stingers hit the 1977-'78 campaign trail Nov. 11 at home against Trois Rivieres, Arsenault will need just eight victories to qualify for membership in the exclusive 300-win club. It's expected by all in the Canadian Intercollegiate Athletic Union (CIAU) that he'll reach that magic mark early in the season, in all liklihood before Christmas.

A resident of Pointe Claire, Arsenault has compiled an impressive record in his 12 years of coaching at Concordia, Loyola and Sir George

Last season, he was named the Quebec University Athletic Association's coachof-the-year and is a two-time recipient of the CIAU's award honoring excellence in coaching.

In addition, Arsenault has been selected to coach the Canadian Student National squad, with Tom Watt of the University of Toronto and Clark Drake of the University

of Alberta. Bob Philip, this season handling the reins of assistant coach at Concordia, has also enjoyed a considerable amount of success in college hockey.



PAUL ARSENAULT ...nearing milestone

Arsenault has won 10 league titles but the national championship is a goal that has eluded him, despite a couple of near misses.

College hockey goes to final gan



Stingers had rough road to title

By MIKE BOONE

Concordia hockey Stingers find themselves in their accustomed position, i.e. atop the Quebec Universities Athletic Association standings, but it hasn't been easy.

Concordia, which usually waltzes to the QUAA title, has travelled a road to the top dotted by potholes and pitfalls. Coach Paul Arsenault began the season with a rookiestudded lineup and the Stingers quickly found themselves dead last in the fiveteam QUAA after dropping their first two starts of the season, both against the University of Quebec-Trois-Rivieres Patriotes.

Concordia had just suffered through a disastrous football season - two wins in seven games - and the mood at the west-end athletic complex was bleak.

Canadian Intercollegiate Athletic Union announced it was Stingers goaltender Nick Sanza. The CIAU's eventual decision - a two-year probation currently being appealed did little to raise spirits at

As controversy engulfed the team off the ice, however, the Stingers' play began to improve. They closed the season with a furious rush, first leapfrogging the improved McGill Redmen into second place and then nailing down the top spot with a win over UQTR on the Patriotes' home ice.

"I think we were a good team right from the start," Arsenault said yesterday, reflecting on Concordia's season to date. "We had a few ups and downs. A key factor may have been our exhibition games in the United States. We took a lot of penalties against the American teams At the Christmas break, the and had to play under adverse

The adversity may have investigating a possible hurt us in the short term but it

eligibility violation involving helped us in the long run. We have some players - I'm thinking of Dwayne Byers in particular - who are former pros and had to learn more self-control.

Team captain Byers, playing his first full QUAA season, had difficulty changing the playing style he had learned with Beauce Jaros of the defunct North American Hockey League. Byers spent the first part of the season playing the heavy in innumerable re-enactments of "Slapshot" and familiarizing himself with the amenities of penalty boxes around the

His change in attitude has paralleled the Stingers' revival. Heading into next week's playoffs, Byers, Daniel Vinet and Albert DiFazio, another former Beauce badman, form the QUAA's hottest forward line.

Byers hasn't had a penalty in our last four games," says Arsenault, "and for him, that's a miracle. It's been very satisfying for me as a coach to see the change in Byers. He's learned to adapt to college hockey and has become a team leader on and off

One aspect of Concordia's probationary status is the Stingers' exclusion from the weekly CIAU rankings. UQTR had been ranked fourth but dropped to seventh after losing to Concordia last week. The loss to the Stingers Wednesday night will probably drop the Patriotes further

"We consider ourselves a ranked team," Arsenault said. "This season we've beaten four ranked teams -UQTR, Alberta, St. Mary's and St. Francis Xavier - and we've beaten McGill, which ought to be ranked. We played the University of Toronto (Number one in the country) and lost on a late power-play

The Stingers tackle the U T at Toronto tonight in a tur. up for the playoffs. A Stinge win would significantly r duce the credibility of the CIAU rankings but Arsenau is more concerned about th best-of-three QUAA sem finals, which begin Tuesda with McGill hosting UQT and Concordia visitin Bishop's Gaiters.

The Stingers will be seeking a third straight QUAA title cap off what Arsenault con siders his most challengin

"It's been the tougher since I've been at Concordia no question about it. We'v had 16 new players since las Christmas and that's been challenge.

"People talk about all th ex-pros we get." Arsenau added, "but ex-pros often pre sent greater problems. seems to take them muc longer to adjust to the colleg game.



CONCORDIA STINGERS FINAL VARSITY HOCKEY STATISTICS

March

GP GOALS ASSISTS PTS	PEN/MIN	•
BLAIS ELLIOTT 39 31 32 63	65	ELLIOTT
Bill DOHERTY 43 18 30 48	103	
Dwane BYERS 38 25 22 47	175	
Daniel VINET 42 19 27 46	0	50
Randy BORBELY 29 17 29 46	59	
Albert DIFAZIO 33 16 14 30	61	
Dave BOYD 43 11 18 29	64	THE IVERTY
Michel BLAIS 43 6 21 27	95	4
Yvon DISOTELL 34 13 12 25	78	2000/4
Steve GIBSON 43 9 15 24	13	
André BOURGEOIS 39 8 13 21	27	The state of the s
Alex WESTGATE 42 10 8 18	26	
Mike SLACK 27 2 12 14	53	
Mark FIORENTINO 30 8 5 13	49	
François BOUCHARD 22 5 7 12	6	
Scott BATEMAN 18 1 11 12	26	
Mark DICHTER 34 3 6 9	27	
Don HARRIS 23 1 4 5	31	4.5
A1 VAUGHN 33 2 1 3	16	Concordia's captain
Ken MCCARTHY 29 1 1 2	13	Dwayne Byers
GOALTENDING		
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TEAM RECURD		
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Stingers - Concordia University



FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT: Nick Sanza, Coach Paul Arsenault, Dave Boyd, Dwane Byers, Michel Blais, Kim Elliott, Coach Bob Philip, Gino Yanire. MIDDLE ROW LEFT TO RIGHT: Manager Doug Wight, Ken McCarthy, Don Harris, Mike Slack, Randy Borbely, Mark Frissen, Albert Difazio, André Bourgeois, Yvon Disotell, Trainer Russ Blackwell. BACK ROW LEFT TO RIGHT: Daniel Vinet, Mark Dichter, Steve Gibson, François Bouchard, Mike Murray, Alex Westgate, Mark Fiorentino, Bill Doherty, Al Vaughn.

No	. Nom/Name	Age	Pos.	Pds/Wt	Ht	Domicile/Hometown	Faculté/Faculty
1	Gino Yanire	20	Goal	165	5'9"	Montreal, Que.	
2	Ken McCarthy	20	Defense	195	6'0"	Pointe Claire, Que.	Recreation
3	Mike Slack	20	Defense	210	6'2"	Montreal, Que.	Arts
4	Dave Boyd	23	Defense	180	5'10"	Pointe Claire, Que.	Bio-P. E.
5	Michel Blais	22	Defense	190	6'0"	Amos, Que.	Sociology
6	Mark Dichter	20	Defense	180	5'10"		Bio-P. E.
7	Yvon Disotell	22	Winger	170	5'10	Town of Mount Royal, Que	
8	Francois Bouchard	19	Centre	160	5'7"	Cornwall, Ont.	Commerce
9	Dwayne Byers	23	Winger	180	5'10"	Verdun, Que.	Commerce
10	Andre Bourgeois	23				Kirkland, Que.	Commerce
11	Albert Difazio		Winger	180	6'0"	Three Rivers, Que.	Educ.
0.0		21	Winger	200	5'11"	Montreal, Que.	Commerce
12	Steve Gibson	21	Centre	150	5'7''	Montreal, Que.	Commerce
15	Alex Westgate	21	Winger	160	5'8"	London, Ont.	Bio-P. E. 3
17	Al Vaughan	21	Winger	185	6'0''	Montreal, Que.	Arts
18	Daniel Vinet	22	Centre	170	5'10''	Montreal, Que.	Arts
19	Mark Fiorentino	21	Winger	170	5'9"	Niagara Falls, Ont.	Commerce
20	Scott Bateman	24	Winger	190	5'11"	Montreal, Que.	Arts
21	Bill Doherty	22	Winger	175	5'9"	Kirkland, Que.	Bio-P. E.
22	Kim Elliott	20	Centre	175	5'10"	Kingston, Ont.	Bio-P. E.
23	Randy Borbely	21	Defense	195	6'0"	Brantford, Ont.	Arts
24	Don Harris	23	Defense	185	6'1"	St. Lambert, Que.	
25	Nick Sanza	22	Goal	180	5'10"	LaSalle, Que.	English
	THOIL GUILLE		GOLI	100	0 10	Labane, Que.	Bio-P. E.

Entraîneur/Coach: Paul Arsenault; Gérant/Manager: Doug Wight; Ass. Entraîneur/Ass. Coach: Bob Philip; Capitaine de l'équipe/Captain of the team: Dwayne, Byers, Michael Blais, Dave Boyd.

